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REP. UGENTI-RITA STATEMENT REGARDING A SPECIAL ELECTIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX (Wednesday, March 23, 2016) – “In response to the long wait times voters experienced while participating in yesterday’s presidential preference primary election, I will be convening a special meeting of the House Elections Committee on Monday, March 28 to understand the factors and decisions that were made resulting in the number of polling locations. In a year when most states experienced record or near record turnout, Arizona should have been better prepared and anticipated the amount of turnout we experienced.”

“This year, it is my understanding, Arizona had fewer polling locations than in previous years. This meeting is an opportunity to explore what preparations election officials made in anticipation of this election and what can be done in the future to better accommodate people as they exercise their right to vote.”

“I have invited the Secretary of State’s office, the Maricopa County Recorder’s Office and the Arizona Association of Counties to participate. I also welcome the participation of voters who wish to attend and share their experience at the polls.”

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